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Mooseheads star getting ready for draft day — it's expected he'll be picked in first round, perhaps by New Jersey

MONEY BACK WAS NO **GUARANTEE**

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Members of the German Bicycle Team perform during a media preview of the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo at the Metro Centre on Wednesday. The popular Tattoo runs Sunday through July 7. Story, page 8. JEFF HARPER/METRO

'Community: common unity'

St. Patrick's-Alexandra. Crowd pitches ideas for school site, including community centre



HALEY RYAN

Children with brightly coloured posters walked to the front of the packed room of the Halifax North Public Library to applause and cheers.

'Čondos are so yesterday. Youth groups are not,' read one, while others said 'Youth are our future' and 'Community: common unity.

The members of the Kitpu Youth Program were part of a crowd of more than 100 people who attended the meeting about how to use the St.Patrick's-Alexandra school Wednesday night.

Municipal staff explained that since the recent court case ruling HRM had incorrectly handled the sale

The request for submissions starts in mid-July and groups have 90 days to submit a proposal.

of St. Pat's, everything was "starting from scratch" and new proposals for the site had to be submitted.

"We will give a qualitative assessment, we won't be ranking proposals," said Bruce Fisher, HRM fiscal and tax policy manager.

"We're looking for supportive documents and strong arguments ... This is your chance to make a pitch."

Glenn Knockwood, recreation co-ordinator for the Mic-Mac Friendship Centre which runs Kitpu, adult learning and cultural programs among many others, said St. Pat's could provide badly-needed space.

"To me this is a no-brainer. Our youth need a home, we need a place where they belong," Knockwood said.

Kids from the Hope Blooms program turned over a list of ideas for the site, like a centre where kids could do their homework, take language and music classes, or use a breakfast program.

Rhonda Britton said the proposal she's involved with, alongside the MicMac Friendship Centre, Richard Preston Centre for Excellence and North End Community Health Centre, will be run by the community before it is submitted, unlike the staff report.

HRM had set June 26 as the only public consultation.

"A community consultation is about being in conversation with the community, not a one-off," said Britton, pastor at the Cornwallis Street Baptist Church.

Fisher said staff will weigh proposals based on the content, its viability, public outcomes and benefit to HRM, which Britton deemed "too subjective."

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'These are the good-news stories that we need to hear'

Righteous act. Man finds \$100 on road and returns it to its owner



Jennifer Tanner has a renewed faith in humanity all thanks to her own mis-

When Tanner lost two \$50 bills early Tuesday morning, she was annoyed and told herself she'd never get the cash back. But that same day, while heading to her car on Robie Street after her shift at the QEII Health Sciences Centre, one of Tanner's co-workers spotted a notice advertising that someone had found a sum of money.

"I was shocked," Tanner said when she saw the posters stapled to trees near where she had dropped the money for her daughter's birthday present. She called the number on the poster and described how the \$50 bills were folded in half, were the new plastic type and had been lost that morning.

'He said, 'You're the winner," Tanner said Wednesday with a big grin. "I didn't even know what to say to the guy. I



was speechless."

Derek Estabrook had been running with friends on Tuesday at about 6:30 a.m. when he noticed the red bills on the ground. He admits he's kept some coins and smaller bills he's found in the past, but this "felt different."

"It's not just pocket change that fell out," he said. Estabrook made the posters before going to work, and

One from the heart

"It's a simple story but it's so meaningful."

Jennifer Tanner, who had \$100 returned to her after she spotted one of Derek Estabrook's posters

said although he was worried a lot of people would call, Tanner was the only one.

would've "Anything bought with that money I would've felt guilty about,"

Tanner's husband picked up the cash on Wednesday from Estabrook's office. She

said she wants to tell people about it so we all "pay it forward" more often. "These are the good-news stories that we need to hear," she said.

Estabrook said he was happy to return the money, but was surprised Tanner has been telling everyone how much his act of kindness meant to her

"That's worth a hundred bucks," he said.

low, be honest ...

We asked readers: "What would you do if you found \$100 lying on the ground?" Here are some responses:

On Twitter

@agaetzy: Buy \$100 in cheeseburgers and share them with homeless people. I'd eat most of them though, I love cheeseburgers.

- @skodejs: Gotta be honest: Scoop it up & RUN.
- @gen_handgrenade: Send mom flowers for no reason,

the rest on booze, rubbers and smokes. \$100 don't go far anymore!

- @Rottenronnie70: Take the family out for a treat movie or a dinner perhaps.
- @adampercey: Put it on black at the casino.

On Facebook

- Sasha Moulton Larder: Donate it to Parker Street or Metro Turning Point.
- **Brandon Lovitte Blades:** \$100 worth of "death by chocolate" from Dave's on Main Street.
- Nick Bungay: Take it to the proper authorities, it's not your money at least give the person who dropped it a chance to get it back.
- Edwina Donovan: Try to find the owner of course... Remember, what goes around, comes around!!

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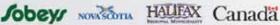
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Bubbly results. NSLC year-end sales figures nothing to wine about

The Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation has released its year-end results, showing a healthy increase over the previous year.

The corporation brought in \$592.9 million in total sales.

The figures are \$1.5 million above budget and \$4.9 million — or a 2.2 per cent increase over the previous year, according to a release.

The release suggests the figures were driven by a 6.3

In numbers

\$226.4M

NSLC's net income over last fiscal year.

per cent increase in wine sales — including a 20 per cent increase in Nova Scotia wine sales — and a 14 per cent increase in sales of premium whiskies.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

Designation. Lower Sackville home to newest provincial park

More than 700 acres of land in Lower Sackville has been designated as Nova Scotia's newest provincial park.

The Sackville Lakes Provincial Park encompasses 721 acres along First and Second lakes.

Premier Darrell Dexter presided over the official designation on Wednesday.

The release states more than 65 per cent of Nova Scotia residents visited a provincial park or beach in the last year for a total of 1.5 million visits. METRO

Waste management

Weekly green-bin pickup back for another summer

The summer weekly greenbin pickup will begin on Saturday.

Residents in HRM's urban and suburban areas can put their green bin out for weekly pickup in July and August, even if it's not full.

The weekly service ends Aug. 30 and applies to residents in Halifax, Dartmouth, Bedford, Sackville, Beaverbank, Kinsac, Cole Harbour, Westphal, Lake Loon, Cherry Brook, Eastern Passage, Cow Bay, Beechville, Lakeside, Timberlea, Herring Cove, the Sambro Loop, Williamswood, Harrietsfield, Hammonds Plains area to Highway #103 and the Fall River area. METRO

In the morning

 A release from HRM says green bin collection can occur as early as 7 a.m.

N.S. men charged in child-porn sting

Seized. Top investigator suggests 'horrible' images should be called 'child-sexual-abuse material'



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RCMP in Atlantic Canada have announced the results of a significant operation targeting online child exploitation.

Twenty-two people were arrested in the four provinces under Operation Snapshot II and 64 charges have been laid to date. Eight of the men arrested live in Nova Scotia, three of them in the Halifax area

Most of the charges are for accessing, possessing and making available child pornography.

"It's important to remember that for each high-risk offender we identify, we have dozens of potential future victims," said RCMP Insp. Pierre Leduc at a news conference Wednesday.

More than 40 computers and 72 external hard-drives containing millions of graphic images of children being sexually assaulted were seized during the operation.

Investigators wouldn't say what techniques were used to track and arrest the suspects.

Toronto police Det. Const. Chris Purchas, currently on secondment with the Canadian Police Centre for Missing and Exploited Children, said the images in the videos and photos were "horrible," and suggested

Police officers view a map showing we children, called Operation Snapshot II they should be called "child-sexual-abuse material," rather than "pornography."

"It's not just a child lying on a beach naked," he said. "It's a child that is being actively sexually assaulted. It is a rape of a child captured in image or video."

Two children — one in Newfoundland and one in Nova Scotia — were rescued as a result of the operation, but no details were provided about the children or how they'd been rescued.

Const. Kent Luther of the RCMP in Newfoundland said

one was related to a case in which voyeurism charges were laid, but wouldn't say anything further.

"There's currently no risk associated to the child at this time," he said.

Purchas said only one of the men arrested is a registered sex offender. The other 21 had no prior criminal records.

"The majority of offenders are individuals that have never had a parking ticket," he said.

"They are the lawyers, the doctors, the teachers, the pillars of society who you'd least expect, sometimes."

ere arrests have been made in a joint investigation into the exploitation of in Dartmouth on Wednesday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Charge

From Halifax area:

 John Anthony Campbell, 60; Thomas Anthony Eisan, 26; Christopher Bayes, 46

From rest of Nova Scotia:

Vernon Rae Sullivan,
 61; Steven Agnew, 38;
 Robert MacKinnon, 24;
 Leamund Knickle, 46;
 Steven Bowley, 25





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Crystal maker back in business

Now here they go again, they've got the crystal vision. Doors reopen Thursday at NovaScotian Crystal

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Canada's only mouth-blown, hand-cut crystal maker is reopening its doors Thursday to the public under new management.

Anne Campbell, the new owner of NovaScotian Crystal, took the reins in April. She has waited three months to finally have the waterfront fixture selling fine crystalware again.

"The support the community has shown the business has been overwhelming," she said. "It had been so fantastic we ran out of inventory."

NovaScotian Crystal's doors

have been closed since Campbell took over the business.

During that time, the artisans at the iconic crystal maker have been crafting inventory in preparation of Thursday's opening of the restocked showroom, replenished with handmade crystal barware, stemware and precious glass artistry.

Financial woes threatened the existence of NovaScotian Crystal, which was placed in receivership earlier this year after owing about \$2 million to creditors.

Campbell says the financial problems are behind the company.

pany.
"They went with the old business," she said.

And they're becoming a distant memory as the new business is ramping up operations after adding two furnaces in Dartmouth.

Production manager and master craftsman Brian Tebay says the Dartmouth facility will allow NovaScotian Crystal to



Dazzling display

"This is an attraction. People are always gathered around the doors of the shop because it's beautiful to watch. It's artistry."

Colin MacLean, president of the Waterfront Development Corporation

double capacity and train new apprentices.

"There's going to be a lot more training going on than there has been in the past," said Tebay. "It's important to the survival of the craft."

Colin MacLean, president of the Waterfront Development Corporation, thinks the artisans at NovaScotian Crystal will resume the mantle as one of the waterfront's successful icons.

"I think (what we've) been

able to do as a city is build a waterfront that showcases the best of Nova Scotia, and Nova-Scotian Crystal is one of them," said MacLean.

Feds announce \$488M for coast-guard vessels



The federal government's decision to spend up to \$488 million for the construction of new coast-guard vessels takes care of an "urgent" need to replace the agency's aging fleet of smaller boats, says an expert.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay announced Wednesday in Halifax that Ottawa will fund construction of 18 to 21 new vessels of varying types as part of the national shipbuilding procurement strategy.

Although it's only a tiny slice of the \$33-billion strategy, the replacements are badly needed and long overdue, said Ken Hansen, a resident research fellow at Dalhousie University's centre for foreign policy studies.

"The focus over recent years has been on the big ticket items," Hansen said in an interview, mentioning Arctic patrol vessels as an example. "But the small vessels are in equally dire need of replacement.... The need was extreme, urgent."

Hansen said the coast guard's current vessels, some of which have an average age of 33 years at sea, are unreliable and costly to repair.

The new boats will be used for a range of purposes, such as search and rescue, marine and fishery research, conservation and for protection patrols and navigation, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans said.

MacKay said the vessels will be available for competitive bids by Canadian shipyards that were not selected to build vessels as part of the shipbuilding procurement strategy. Shipyards in Halifax and Vancouver were the successful bidders to build the next generation of navy ships.

MacKay said the program for coast-guard vessels will boost jobs at small- and medium-sized shipyards across the country.

"Shipyards that really weren't in a position to bid for the larger work — that is, the vessels for the Canadian Forces, the navy and the ice breaker — this brings them into the national shipbuilding procurement strategy," said MacKay. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Herring Cove

Governments pony up thousands for high-tech weather buoy

The federal and provincial governments are putting \$321,000 towards the cost of a \$366,000 advanced inshore weather buoy in Herring Cove.

A release from the province states data transmitted from the buoy will generate "real-time, high-resolution" weather and wave forecasting for the Halifax Port Authority that will be used for research and to keep mariners safe.

"This smart buoy will have significant benefits for many of our province's ocean-related industries, ranging from commercial shipping to tourism,' states Nova Scotia Minister of Economic and Rural Development Graham Steele.

Peter MacKay, the regional minister for Nova Scotia, attended the announcement on behalf of the federal fisheries minis-



Mid-August start

CEO of Nova Scotia Business Inc. leaving for position in Bermuda

The president and CEO of Nova Scotia Business Inc. is leaving his post to accept a similar position in Bermuda.

The Bermuda Business Development Corp. said in a statement Wednesday that Stephen Lund will join the organization in mid-August as its CFO

It said Lund, who previ-

ously worked for the Bank of Bermuda, was chosen for the job out of 180 candidates from around the world.

The corporation's chairwoman, Caroline Foulger, says Lund will help drive international business growth and create jobs in

Lund became president and CEO of Nova Scotia's business development agency in 2001.

The board of directors for Nova Scotia Business Inc. also confirmed Lund's departure Wednesday.

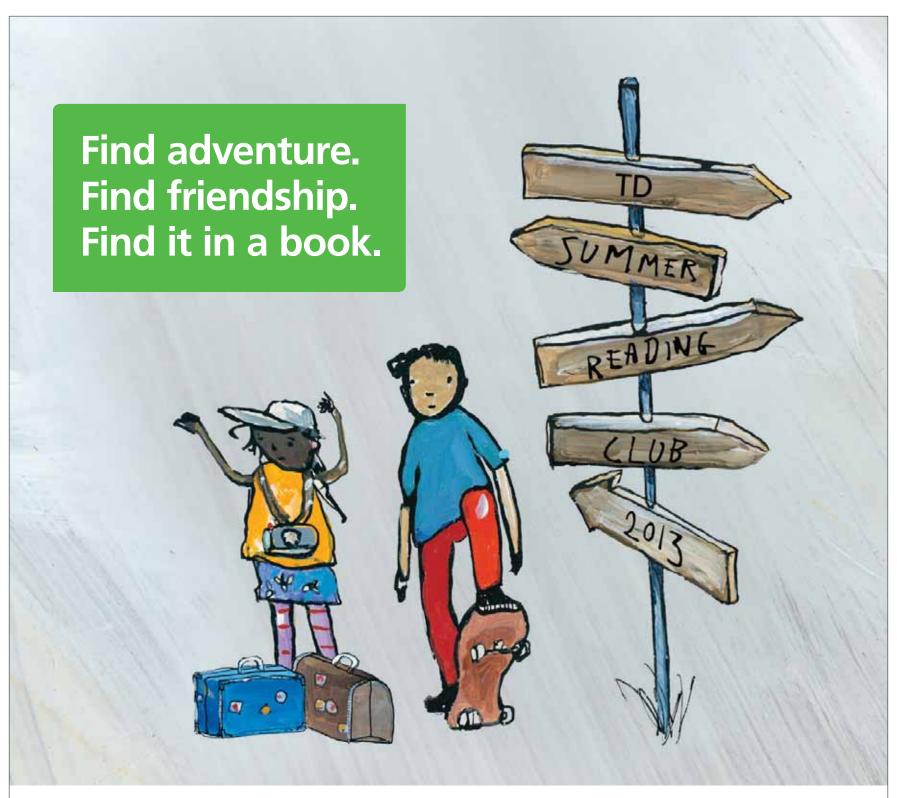
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Highway 101

Man dead after motorcycle crash

A 56-year-old Halifax man is dead following a fatal motorcycle crash near

Police say at about 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the driver of a motorcycle was going westbound on Highway 101 near Exit 6 when he crossed the centre line and crashed into the guardrail. The man died at the scene. His name hasn't been released. METRO



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Bang on your drum all day: The Tattoo is almost here

Dancing queens.

Eight days of shows start this weekend

CLARK JANG

When Sarah Fulton landed in Halifax on Tuesday, she knew she was on a tight schedule.

Fulton, a highland dancer with the OzScot Dancers from Australia, had only 48 hours to practise and perfect a routine with her troupe before the premiere of the 37th Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo on Sunday.

"It can be really, really tricky because girls from all over Australia have different dance schools, different teachers, different technique, different timing," said Fulton in her Aussie lilt. "Bringing that all together is quite challenging."

The 25 members of the OzScot Dancers are scattered throughout Australia, making preparation difficult. To help the dance troupe prepare, the dancers were sent a DVD with the choreography they were expected to know by the time they arrived in Nova Scotia. This year's routine is called Celtic Woman, and will personify the story of the modern-day woman through dance.

"There's traditional highland dancing, and then there's what we do," said Fulton. "We like to contemporize highland dancing."

She noted their performance will incorporate more jumping and spinning compared to traditional highland dancing.

While the countdown to opening night may be stressful, Fulton said seeing what other talent Nova Scotia has brought to the Tattoo made the journey worthwhile.

Nova Šcotia brings out the best performances, I think. They're new, they're fresh, they're modern," she said during a media launch Wednesday at the Metro

Fulton is just one of more

Members of the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo perform during a media preview at the Metro Centre on Wednesday. Jeff Harper/Metro

Tickets are on sale at ticketatlantic.com, or call (902)-451-1221.

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- Wednesday, July 3: 7:30
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- Sunday, July 7: 2:30 p.m.

than 1,500 performers from Canada. Āustralia, New Zealand, Germany and the United States in this year's

This year's performance

will honour the HMS Shannon's capture of the USS Chesapeake and the Battle of the Atlantic, the longest military campaign of the Second World War, through

a series of striking musical scores, intricate dance routines and gravity-defying

Production co-ordinator Jim Forde told media he ex-

pects every audience member will have an unforgettable experience.

"You're going to walk away from here feeling like a million dollars," he said.

Big cheque 'the best birthday gift'

ee in Kentville, it couldn't have been a happier birth-

Stephanie Dunham of Steam Mill had a look of disbelief on her face Wednesday as friends, family members and well-wishers sang Happy Birthday to her just after she opened her gift: a cheque for \$3,044,555.48 from the Atlantic Lottery Corporation.

That is one-fifth of the \$15,222,777.40 Lotto 6/49 co-workers at the Kentville diner won in the June 19

"This is the best birthday gift I could ever have, right here," Dunham said.

She plans to use a part of the winnings to buy her mother a car. She said the reality would sink in when she sees her bank account with the new balance.

"What a birthday present for her," diner co-owner Wa-

"It's actually just starting to sink in."

Joanne Gillis, one of the five winners

faa Toulany, another of the winners, said. Toulany plans to buy a house and help her family.

Toulany said it felt unbelievable to be accepting the cheque and "it's still

shocking now."
The five women have played together as a group for the past 10 years but Toulany said she never thought they would one day enjoy such a big win.

Winner Joanne Gillis said she plans to have some fun, including buying a new car, a cottage or a house on the lake and helping her family.

"It's just hard to believe that we won," Gillis said. KING'S COUNTY REGISTER



and Wafaa Toulany accept a novelty cheque for the jackpot in the June 19 Lotto 6/49 draw. KING'S COUNTY REGISTER

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Bombshell. Patriots' Hernandez charged with murdering a friend



end Aaron Hernandez was arrested and charged Wednesday with murdering a friend.

The bombshell development came more than a week after Boston semi-pro football player Odin Lloyd's bulletriddled body was found in an industrial park about a mile from Hernandez's home.

Prosecutors say Lloyd had angered the NFL player at a nightclub a few days earlier by talking to the wrong

Hernandez, 23, was taken from his North Attleborough home in handcuffs on Wednesday morning.

About two dozen supporters cheered, some yelling, "We love you, Aaron."

Less than two hours after

"It is at bottom a circumstantial case. It is not a strong case."

Michael Fee, Hernandez's lawyer.

New England Patriots tight the arrest, the Patriots announced they had cut Hernandez, a 2011 Pro Bowl selection who signed a five-year contract last summer worth \$40 million.

Lloyd was a 27-year-old athlete with the Boston Bandits who was dating the sister of Hernandez's fiancée.

He was shot repeatedly in the back and chest on a secluded gravel road, authorities said.

Hernandez "drove the victim to that remote spot, and then he orchestrated his execution," prosecutor Bill Mc-

Lloyd's family members cried and hugged as the prosecutor outlined the killing. Two were so overcome with emotion that they had to leave the courtroom.

If convicted, Hernandez

could get life in prison. Hernandez's lawyer, Mi-chael Fee, asked for bail, saying Hernandez is not a flight risk. The judge ordered Hernandez held without bail. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The puck drops. Teen hockey player charged with on-ice assault

A 17-year-old hockey player has been charged with assault causing bodily harm after an on-ice incident.

It happened during a game in Woodstock, Ont., police said Wednesday. It's alleged a player was assaulted by another player.

"The decision to lay a criminal charge was not taken lightly and was based

on an objective review of the evidence, including video evidence, and on factually based legal opinions from the Crown attorney's office," said Woodstock police Chief Rod Freeman.

17-year-old who The is charged cannot be identified. He is to appear in court on July THE CANADIAN PRESS

The sex scandal that apparently won't die

Maple Leaf Gardens abuse case. Gordon Stuckless now facing more than 70 charges as more complainants come forward

History has apparently caught up with the man at the centre of the Maple Leaf Gardens sex abuse scandal in Toronto.

Gordon Stuckless, 64, is facing more than 70 criminal charges after more men came forward alleging they were abused in their youth.

Stuckless turned himself in to York Regional Police, who laid a total of 23 new charges of indecent assault on a male, sexual assault and gross indecency.

Stuckless is facing 38 charges relating to 10 complainants in Toronto, and another

Gordon Stuckless was convicted in 1997 for sex assaults on 24 boys while he was an usher at Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto between 1969 and 1988.

• He was originally sentenced to two years less a day, but this was increased to five years he was out on parole in

34 charges from York Region, where seven men have made complaints against him. The charges are for alleged offences between the 1960s and

Stuckless is set to appear in court Thursday in Toronto, where all of the charges are being tried together. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The future?

Will more men accuse Stuckless?

Police believe there may be more alleged victims out there and are urging them to come forward.

Police allege Stuckless would befriend boys between eight and 12 years old and sexually assault them at locations around Toronto and north of the

Stuckless has not yet entered a plea. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Where's Snowden? Ecuador playing it cool over asylum

swarmed with journalists from around the globe Wednesday, but the man they were looking for, National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden, was nowhere to be seen.

The mystery of his whereabouts only deepened a day after President Vladimir Putin said Snowden was in the transit area of Sheremetyevo Airport.

There were ordinary scenes of duty-free shopping, snoozing travellers and tourists sipping coffee but no trace of America's most famous fugitive.

Adding to the uncertainty,



Ecuador's foreign minister said it could take months to decide whether to grant asylum to Snowden.

Snowden, who is charged

violating American espionage laws, fled Hong Kong over the weekend and flew to Russia.

He booked a seat on a Ha-

vana-bound flight Monday en route to Venezuela, but didn't board the plane. His destination was believed to be Ecua-

Putin insisted Tuesday that Snowden has stayed in the transit zone without passing through immigration and is free to travel where he likes.

But the U.S.'s move to annul Snowden's passport may have severely complicated his travel plans.

Exiting the transit area would require either boarding a plane or passing through border control, both of which require a valid passport or other documentation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ousted Australian sworn back in as PM

Reborn. Former leader resigns after being booted by colleagues in party coup

Kevin Rudd was sworn in as Australian prime minister on Thursday, three years after he was ousted from the same job in an internal government

His office could not immediately confirm whether Rudd would replace his predecessor, Julia Gillard, in a visit to Indonesia that had been scheduled for next week. Gillard was dumped on Wednesday by colleagues spooked by the party's dismal showing in opinion polls.

Governor-General Quentin Bryce commissioned Rudd

Changing course

"We are on course for a catastrophic defeat."

New Labour party leader Kevin Rudd,

within half an hour of Parliament resuming for what is likely to be its last day before

Seven ministers resigned

following Gillard's ouster.

Rudd faces a possible noconfidence vote in Parliament, which he will likely survive although a loss could trigger an election as early as Aug. 3.

Gillard tendered her resignation as prime minister on Wednesday night after losing a ballot of ruling parliamentarians to Rudd 57 votes to 45. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Abominable expense? Canadian ship could be used in sasquatch odyssey

American researchers believe a high-tech airship created by a company in the Alberta hamlet of Lac La Biche could solve the mystery of the sasquatch once and for all.

Utah-based Bigfoot researcher William Barnes is trying to raise \$300,000 to buy a helium-filled airship that would quietly float over dense North American forests and use thermal-imaging equipment to film footage of the legendary — not to mention elusive — creature.

An official fundraising drive for the venture, which has been dubbed the Falcon Project, kicked off last Saturday in Oregon with an all-day symposium.

The project's founder said that after a personal encounter with a Bigfoot in 1997 and more than a decade spent talking to sasquatch researchers, unmanned aerial surveillance to record the fast-moving nocturnal primate.

"We don't want to bother them, we just want to study them," Barnes said.

That's where Stephen Barkley, president of Remote Aerial Tripod Specialists Inc. (RATS), fits in.

His company in Lac La Biche has designed the aircraft to be used for the ambitious aerial undertaking.

"If it wasn't for his (Barkley's) innovation of this type of airship, this would never work," Barnes said.

In his 15 years of running RATS, a business that provides blimps and airships for outdoor advertising and photography, the entrepreneur said this is one of the most extraordinary projects he's taken part in.

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Sweet, sweet charity

Buy a doughnut to fund flood relief

Tim Hortons patrons wanting to help with flood relief might want to consider ordering an Alberta Rose with their coffee in the next little while.

The chain restaurant says it has created a special doughnut by that name

that will be sold for \$1 at its Alberta outlets for a limited

Tim Hortons says all the money raised will be donated to Red Cross flood relief efforts in southern Alberta.

The rose-shaped disaster doughnut is vanilla-dipped, has a yellow Venetian cream centre and is topped with pink, red and white strawberry bark.

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"Down w DOMA! Something to be very proud of this upcoming July 4th. We are making beautiful progress for Equality! #proud"



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"It's a supremely wonderful day for equality. Prop 8 is over, and so is DOMA. Congratulations everyone."



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Michael Knaapen, left, and his husband John Becker embrace outside the Supreme Court in Washington, Wednesday, after the court cleared the way for same-sex marriage in California. CHARLES DHARAPAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Free to ... love and be married'

Supreme Court rules.

Gay-pride flags flew outside San Francisco city hall Wednesday — a landmark day for same-sex marriage

A marriage made in Toronto was at the heart Wednesday of a landmark U.S. Supreme Court ruling that struck down the Defense of Marriage Act on a historic day that also cleared the way for same-sex marriage in California, the most populous state in the union.

The ruling on the federal U.S. legislation known as DOMA gives spouses in samesex unions a full array of tax, health and pension benefits.

The challenge to the legislation was spearheaded by 83-year-old Edith Windsor, a New Yorker who married her longtime partner Thea Spyer six years ago in Canada, where same-sex marriage has been legal for almost a decade. The couple's marriage was recognized by New York state, but not by the federal government.

When Spyer died in 2009, the federal government cited DOMA to force Windsor, who's now ailing, to pay \$363,000 in taxes on her late wife's estate — taxes that wouldn't have been levied against her if she'd been married to a man.

"Children born today will grow up in a world without DOMA," a beaming Windsor told a New York news conference. "And those children who

Presidential reaction

President Barack Obama hailed the Supreme Court's ruling that people in samesex marriages are entitled to the same federal benefits as heterosexual married couples, declaring the court "has righted a wrong."

"This was discrimination enshrined in law," he said. "We are a people who declared that we are all created equal — and the love we commit to one another must be equal..."



are gay will be free to grow up and love and be married. If I had to survive Thea, what a glorious way to do it."

Also on Wednesday, the high court cleared the way for same-sex marriage in California by ruling that defenders of Proposition 8, a ban on same-sex marriage, had no constitutional standing.

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Canada at work

Statistics Canada released its second batch of figures Wednesday from its voluntary National Household Survey, looking at labour, education, workplace, commuting, work language, mobility and migration. Here's a roundup of four things you need to know:

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Commuting

Some 15.4 million Canadians endure a daily commute to and from work, most of them behind the wheel. Four out of five commuters took a private vehicle, while 12 per cent took public transit, up from 11 per cent in 2006. The disproportionate popularity of driving in the age of climate change may boil down to a single factor: Time. Private-vehicle commuters spent an average of 23.7 minutes getting to work, nearly half the 40.4 minutes it took bus riders

Post-secondary education

For the first time women have bypassed men in terms of post-secondary education, with 64.8 per cent of working-age women having a post-secondary education, compared with 63.4 per cent of men. Women accounted for 59 per cent of Canadians aged 25 to 34 with a university degree, compared with 47.3 per cent of their 55- to 64-year-old counterparts.





Temporary foreign workers

More than 330,000 workers live and work in Canada as part of the federal temporary foreign worker program number that has nearly tripled over the past 10 years, with the bulk of those job-seekers going west in search of work. The program was originally designed to attract skilled employees to address temporary labour shortages. The emphasis shifted in 2002 to low-skilled workers, such as those in the food and beverage industry, construction and retail.

Cyclists

The latest batch of data shows no difference in the percentage of Canadians who rode their bike to work in 2011 and 2006. That number remains unchanged at 1.3 per cent. That works out to 201,785 cyclists out of more than 15 million commuters. Another 880,800 commuters, or 5.7 per cent, reported walking to work each day.





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Residents of Halifax Regional Municipality are advised that there will be NO garbage, organics or recyclables collection services on Canada Day, Monday July 1, 2013. Collection services for that day will be provided the preceding Saturday June 29, 2013.

Collection services can begin as early as 7am. To ensure collection, residents can place materials curbside the evening prior to collection day.

No Collection Monday July 1	Collection will occur the preceding Saturday June 29		
Otter Lake Facility Closed Monday July 1	Otter Lake Facility Open Saturday June 29 7 am - 7 pm		
HRM Recycling Plant Closed Monday July 1	HRM Recycling Plant Open Saturday June 29 7:30 am - 6 pm		

For more information on HRM's composting and recycling programs, check your 2013 collection schedule or visit our website at www.halifax.ca/recycle.

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Texas senator becomes overnight sensation



Abortion bill. During marathon speech to block bill. senator's Twitter followers ballooned from 1,200 to more than 79,000

The Texas senator who spoke for hours against some of the country's toughest proposed abortion restrictions quickly became a political superstar in pink running shoes. Wendy Davis ran out the

clock on the special session of the Texas Legislature and killed the bill, but it was her old-fashioned filibuster speech that earned her widespread praise — including a salute from President Barack Obama.

But Gov. Rick Perry on

"Thanks to the powerful voices of thousands of Texans, #SB5 is dead."

Texas senator Wendy Davis, on Twitter Wednesday morning

Wednesday called for the Texas Legislature to meet in a second special session to pass

the abortion restrictions. Davis, 50, was on her feet for more than 12 hours Tuesday — speaking most of that time while obeying rules against not sitting, leaning or taking breaks for meals or the restroom — in a marathon speech seeking to block a bill that would close nearly every abortion clinic in the nation's second-largest state.

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Humans learned to throw

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the Yankees, is retiring. Aroldis Chapman, the Cincinnati Reds reliever, continues to fire fastballs beyond 100 miles per And now some scientists say

they've figured out when our human ancestors first started throwing with accuracy and firepower: Nearly 2 million

That's what researchers conclude in a study released Wed-

the new paper contends that this throwing ability probably helped our ancient ancestor Homo erectus hunt, allowing him to toss weapons — probably rocks and sharpened wooden spears. Not even a chimp, our clos-

est living relative, can throw nearly as fast as a 12-year-old Little Leaguer, says a study au-thor from George Washington University. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Court ruling

Starbucks baristas ordered to share tips

Starbucks baristas must share their tips with shift supervisors, New York's highest court ruled Wednesday. The Court of Appeals

found that shift supervisors do much of the same work as the coffee servers and therefore get to share in the tips. It also ruled that the company can deny those tips to assistant managers.

The ruling, responding to two lawsuits, backed Starbucks' policy of divvying up the tips. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Feminist activists

Topless protesters to be released from Tunisian jail

A Tunisian court on Wednesday suspended prison sentences for three European feminist activists who were jailed after a top-less courthouse protest last month, their lawyer said.

The two French and German member of the Ukrainian feminist group Femen maintained during the trial that there was nothing sexual or offensive about their protest and that it was only to support their imprisoned Tunisian colleague.

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Wellies and rucksacks mean its Glastonbury time

Gates opened Wednesday at a dairy farm in southwest England that will be hosting one of the largest music festivals in the world — Glastonbury Festival of Contemporary Performing Arts. While some arts and music festivals struggle to sell tickets, Glastonbury, now in its 43rd year, sold out in minutes before any of the headliners had been confirmed. The festival attracts more than 175,000 people over five days. MATT CARDY/GETTY IMAGES

Selling strategies

Care for some Coke on your cereal?

Get people to swap tea or coffee for soft drinks with breakfast — that's one of the strategies Coca-Cola's main bottler in Europe is targeting to boost sales in the United Kingdom.

Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. issued a report last week identifying ways it can increase sales over the next five years in the region. One category entitled Complete the Meal notes that breakfast is often referred to as the most important meal of the day, with about a quarter of all drinks being consumed before 10 a.m.

"How do we motivate people to make soft drinks, like smoothies, juices and other on-the-go products, part of their morning ritual in the same way as tea or coffee?" the report asks.

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RetailMeNot offers Canadian website

Online deals. Coupon destination aims to create 'more relevant' experience for buyers north of the border

Some savvy shoppers never complete an online purchase before launching a quick search to see if any money-saving coupons are available online.

The option to insert a coupon or promo code during checkout is a good hint that the e-tailer may be offering discounts to those in the know.

In the U.S. and other markets around the world, Retail-MeNot — which logged more than 450 million visits globally in 2012 — is a top destination for finding those coupons.

And plenty of Canadians have also been using the search tool, even if it wasn't set up to offer discounts in Canada.

On Wednesday, the com-



RetailMeNot.ca has coupons and specials from retailers including Aeropostale, Root

pany announced the launch of RetailMeNot.ca, to better serve the scores of Canadians that have already been using the site in search of deals.

"We should've been here probably a while ago," said head of communications Brian Hovt.

"We've had millions of visits from Canadian consumers coming to the U.S. site and quite frankly we were offering

them a sub-optimal experience. Now we've created something that's more relevant to them."

Canadians who visit the site will see coupons and specials from retailers including Aeropostale, Banana Republic, J.Crew, Lowe's, Roots, Sears and Starbucks. Some deals aren't exclusive to the site and are the same specials consumers would see in a flyer or at a store's website. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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TAKE THE ROAD LESS ARGUED

As I get older, I fear I may be slipping into the deep, dark abyss of bright, easy vacations.

The horror, the horror.

I'm in Amsterdam at the moment, and it's about as easy as it gets, unless you're allergic to bicycles, fear small serving sizes and can't tolerate tolerance. (Toronto Mayor Rob Ford would hate it

I've always prided myself on my ability to fling myselfinto strange places with just a tent and a backpack and my wits — all three smaller than you might imagine. But more and more often when I travel I find myself striving for the easy way in. Niagara Falls, not Victoria Falls. Hotels, not hostels.

It makes me vaguely sad, and has me worrying I'll regress into that guy on the tour bus with the Hawaiian shirt asking if "you all get McDonald's around here."

I've been having a running debate with myself during this trip about the "right way" to travel. If you've never been to the Munk Debates, it's just like that. If you have been to the Munk Debates, nevermind.



John Mazerolle metronews.ca

Easy: Vacationing should be easy, duh. That's why it's called a vacation. Probably. I'm lying here on vacation and I'm too lazy to look it up.

Hard: Get up, you sack of suet. Travelling should be a challenge. I can relax at home. I see Facebook cover photos of people's toes on beaches and their feet scream at me like Chekhov's gun. Use them before it's too late!

Easy: Gee, you sound like a blast to travel with. If you have the means to enjoy yourself, do it. Don't deny it because of some misguided need to feel cool. You're like the guy who orders suicide wings just to say you did, even if it's as enjoyable as getting a live chicken to peck at your face.

Hard: At least that's a story to tell. You have a whole world to explore, full of wonders and dangers and excitement, and when you come back all you'll be able to say to people is that it was "nice."

Easy: It isn't always easy. I just paid four euros for 200 millilitres of Pepsi. Who wants 200 ml of anything?

Hard: Well, that's certainly worthy of Jacques Cartier. Do you

think you'll be OK?

Easy: You're such a snob.

Hard: Snob? Easy: Snob.

(Reminder: Just like the Munk Debates.)

Easy (cont.): You treat travelling like a private club, where the only people deemed worthy are ones who have seen enough to be considered cool, like there's a velvet rope around developing countries or something. I don't need a VIP ticket to see the Earth,

Hard: You know what's snobby? Expecting to be waited on hand and foot by people making crap money while you lounge around doing nothing. All you need is a vomit bucket and you're Julius Caesar. And from what I've heard about cruise ships, you might need that bucket.

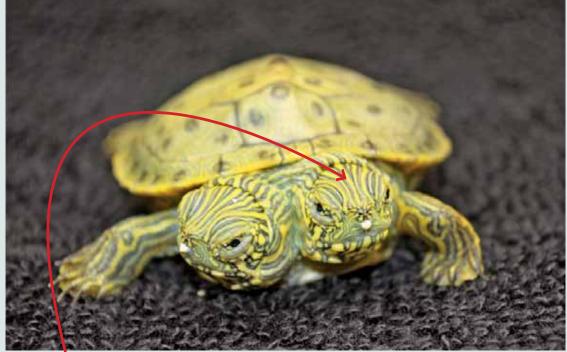
Easy: I don't want to argue anymore. I'm on vacation. Hard: I'd rather be challenging myself anyway. Let's get a

Easy: 200 ml of Heineken would go down easy. You're paying. Hard: That's what I'd prefer.

(Reminder: If you'd like a transcript of this important debate, you should get out more.)

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Two-headed turtle makes its debut

Thelma and Louise, a twoheaded Texas cooter turtle, is seen at the San Antonio Zoo. Zoo officials on Tuesday said the Texas cooter was born June 18. The turtle was one of

several Texas cooters born this month at the zoo, but the only one with two heads. The zoo is no stranger to two-headed reptiles. The facility was home to a two-headed Texas rat snake named Janus from 1978 until the creature's death to 1995. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Let's put our heads together

Zoo spokeswoman Debbie Rios-Vanskike said the two-headed turtle appears healthy and is able to swim and walk. She says experts at the

zoo don't foresee any health issues for Thelma and Louise, named for the female duo in the 1991 Oscar-winning road movie of the same name.



Are you tired of composing text messages with 26 measly letters and a few punctuation marks? Give these apps a spin to add some visual flair to your texting game.

Emoji:

While most North Americans are familiar with the iconic :-) smilev face, Japanese texters have taken pictographs to a whole new level. Newer iPhones actually have a builtin emoji keyboard (you just have to enable it under the international keyboards setting), but there are a host of apps available for Android users and Apple laggards.

SMS Rage Faces:

Popular on social sites like Reddit and 4chan, these nictures can be used to express the full gamut of online emotion, from rage at reading the comments sec tion to the shock and awe of a cute cat

@metropicks asked: Coca-Cola will try to get Brits to swap their

morning coffee for pop. Would you make the switch?

@theunshakable1: Why? The British bad teeth stereotype isn't bad enough? Really trying to drive that point home...

Similar to Rage Faces, this app lets you copy and paste all kinds of unicode emoticons into your texts. From Big Ears Sad Look to Hitler Look Of Disapproval, there's something for everyone.

gif. The iOS edition even integrates

Look of Disapproval:

on top of your friends' faces.

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@FrenchmanCanada: Totally! I've always wanted to be morbidly obese and contract diabetes.

@LauraBabcock: barf

@GiseleLumsden: Really? Eww

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Celebrating 20 years by the sea

Theatre. Shakespeare by the Sea is back for a 20th season and looking to put a new spin on old favourites



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If you build it, they will come. Perhaps a saying originally booked marked for famed baseball movies, but now after 20 years of success on a shoestring, the same can be

said about Shakespeare by

the Sea.

The shared dream of coartistic director and co-founder Elizabeth Murphy, her late partner Patrick Christopher Carter, and friend Jean Morpurgo, Shakespeare by the Sea continues to lure theatre lovers to the park.

Creating masterpieces from nothing, Murphy takes

Details

What you need to know

- What: Shakespeare by the Sea
- When: Sunday through Sept. 1
- Where: Point Pleasant Park's Park Place Theatre
- Plays: Snow White, Hamlet, Much Ado About Nothing
- Online: Visit shakespearebythesea.ca for full schedule



to her 20th season with gratitude for her Shakespeare by the Sea family.

"First, having the good fortune of having the work of an amazing playwright to perform; second, working with people that share the vision and keep it going, and lastly the discovery about how to do our family classics," said Murphy.

Joining the cast and crew for a summer of theatre in the park is a right of passage for any local thespian. This year's cast once again showcases talent firmly rooted in our region including veteran Canadian actor, and graduate from the first theatre arts program class at Dalhousie University, Ian Deakin, and up-and-coming actor Kathryn McCormack, who this season will take on the title role in the family classic, Snow White.

The season featuring Snow White, which kicks off Sunday, looks to be a great family draw and a wonderful opportunity to showcase the original talent of the cast with the classic story.

Returning for her third

season, McCormack — a Dartmouth-native and Dalhousie drama graduate — is looking forward to putting a new spin on sleepy Snow White.

"We take the story of whatever play we are doing and break it down and talk about the way we want to take the story," she said. "Essentially we just try to make each other laugh and whatever idea is the funniest we do that for the show — we have a bit of a bumbling Prince Charming, Snow White is pretty gullible, and the Magic Mirror may be a little differ-

ent than expected."

With nothing less than brilliance on a budget expected again this summer, Murphy continues to steer her "well-oiled machine" smoothly along the road. Sprinkled with noted improvements, such as the recent addition of their indoor theatre location, and a hopeful ripple effect from the recent donation to Dalhousie Arts program, 20 years seems like a welldeserved milestone worth celebrating in the now, and looking back on fondly after 20-plus more.

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Sitcom vet's return will make for a good Knight

The Exes. Seinfeld's Newman and Jurassic Park's Dennis Nedry may define Wayne Knight but there is more to his career and him than those nasty guys

MATT PRIGGE

Metro World News in New York City

Wayne Knight's legacy is sealed, thanks to two major contributions to 1990s culture: Newman on Seinfeld and greedy Dennis Nedry in Jurassic Park. Knight returns to sitcom work with TV Land's The Exes, now starting its third season, which also reunites him with his Third Rock From the Sun costar Kristen Johnston. But like many old workhorses, there's more to him, including films, shows and Broadway work. For instance, did you know he was on a 1980s sketch comedy show with Emma Thompson?

What's it like returning to sitcoms?

Basically the nature of the job is equivalent to stealing. Once you've learned how to pilfer, you remember how to do it, it's highly profitable, and it takes little effort.

You've said one thing you like about your Exes character is he's a bit opaque, and you can play him in different ways.

This season we get to see a bit more variance. We peel away revelations about what his marriage was like. There's depth to him that doesn't show all the time. There's broadness at times. There's cynicism. It just depends on where he is in the plot

Do you consciously try to avoid some of the darker tones of Newman or Dennis Nedry? It's more in the public's eye

than mine. I don't know if I'm as versatile as I'd like to



pretend (laughs). The thing is if you play two iconic characters who are evil guys, if you do it well, then that's what people want to see you do. I spent 19 years trying to change that, but after awhile you just go, "Oh, whatever"

You started as a serious stage actor when?

I came to New York at 23, and was on Broadway for this play Gemini, which was a comedy. I honed my chops over three years of doing that play. What was fascinating to me (was) learning how an audience works. You just learn these things about comic timing.

One of your earlier shows — the 1985 British-American sketch comedy Assaulted Nuts — had you working with Emma Thompson. What was the experience of that show? It was an interesting thing, partly because Emma Thompson was in it. This was before she became Dame

Emma. We're still friends,

because I just think when

you find somebody like that

you try not to let them go. It was three British actors and three Americans and it was airing simultaneously on Cinemax and Channel 4 in Britain. It sunk in the middle of the ocean, because you're trying to combine British and American sensibilities. I don't know if it worked, but it was fun to do.

As far as films, you were in two separate Oliver Stone movies: Born on the Fourth of July and JFK.

I had very little to do in Born on the Fourth of July. I had to push Tom Cruise into the Democratic Convention with John C. McGinley. We did this improv as we were shoving him through. I think Oliver was impressed I kept up with John C. He's a verbal gymnast.

What was Stone like?

It's kind of like if you drank a bottle of booze and woke up from a fetid, sweaty dream, and there was somebody in the room. That would be Oliver (laughs). You respect him and are frightened of him.

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4. THE GREAT DEGENERATION Niall Ferguson	4	2
5. REVENGE WEARS PRADA Lauren Weisberger	5	4
6. ZERO HOUR Clive Cussler	6	5
7. SILVER STAR Jeannette Walls	3	3
8. ONE HEART TO WIN Johanna Lindsey	8	3
★ 9. BEAUTIFUL DAY Elin Hilderbrand	-	1
10. DELICATE TRUTH John Le Carré	10	8
11. THE SECRET RACE Tyler Hamilton	11	2
12. FLIGHT OF THE EAGLE Conrad Black	12	6
13. KILL ROOM Jeffery Deaver	7	4
14. WAITING TO BE HEARD Amanda Knox		2
15. TRANSATLANTIC Colum McCann	15	4
16. WILD Cheryl Strayed	16	13
17. LET'S EXPLORE DIABETES WITH OWLS David Sedaris	17	10
18. RED SPARROW Jason Matthews	18	3
19. BEST KEPT SECRET Jeffrey Archer	9	9
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Aniston engagement on the rocks over East Coast row

Wedding bells may not be ringing after all for Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux, as their marriage plans have reportedly stalled due to a dispute over where to live, according to Radar Online.

"He suggested the couple could live in New York City part-time, no more than six months a year," a source says. "Justin misses the Big Apple and his friends. His entire life was in New York, and he uprooted his entire life to move to L.A. to be with Jen. He thinks it's time Jen start to compromise, but she is absolutely refusing to live on the East Coast, even part-time."

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES



Brown continues bumbling his way around

Jeez, rough week Chris. Just two days after being accused of assaulting a woman in a San Diego nightclub, Chris Brown has been charged with a hit and run as well as driving without a license by the Los Angeles City Attorney's office, according to E! News.

On May 21, Brown allegedly struck another car but refused to give his driver's license number and fled the scene.

His arraignment is set for July 15, and he faces up to six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine for each offense. It's unclear how the new charges will effect Brown's ongoing probation for his assault of Rihanna.



No acting experience, no problem

Victoria Beckham thinks her husband, David, can do anything — even be the next to play James Bond. "I think you would be

"I think you would be really good at acting. I think you'd be great," Victoria tells David during a joint interview with Chinese news station CCTV. "I think he should be James Bond. He'd

be a good James Bond."
David isn't so sure another career is exactly what he needs right now, though.

"I have some friends who are actors," David says. "Tom Cruise is a very good friend of ours. But I don't think I have any plans to become an actor. I'm not sure I'd be very good at it."



Klum committed to making Seal extinct

What's more final than a divorce agreement? How about getting a tattoo removed. Heidi Klum is apparently really, truly done with ex-husband Seal, as recent photos of the model seem to show that she is in the process of removing a tattoo on her forearm that she got in 2008 to commemorate their fourth anniversary, according to Splash News. The tattoo is a stylized

design of Seal's name, along with the initials of the three children they





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"Instead of the usual one RBC Rewards point for every \$1 spent, you get an extra 25 per cent for travel purchases," Metrick says.

"Customers can earn points even faster when shopping online through the RBC Rewards eMall, an exclusive e-commerce site where they can access more than 250 Canadian and U.S. retailers and earn points up to five times

"Avion also provides great opportunities to use points for merchandise, gift cards and RBC financial rewards," Metrick adds.

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STYLE

Wave goodbye to boring

You've got it **braid.** Sweating the summer 'do dilemma? Weave together a Hollywood mane-stay and every hipster's must-have hairstyle.

CHADHA

You love the Veronica Lake waves actresses such as Jessica Alba and Jessica Chastain sport on the red carpet, but you just can't get over a dreamy braid crown, either (especially as temperatures continue to rise). Jenny Balding, styling and grooming expert at Cutler/Red-ken Salons, says to combine the

She shows us how to create a modern version of the popular retro trend by adding an ohso-now braid to the mix.

"It's rock 'n' roll with the braid," says Balding. "And it's a way of getting the hair off your neck without having to do an updo.'

Bring on the outdoor weddings!







- Create a deep side part.
- Blow out your hair with a big round brush to give it volume.
- Using a 1-inch barrel curling iron, curl your whole head, working from mid-length to the ends only. Hold the iron vertically and wrap small sections of hair around the barrel toward your face. Only when doing the front of the hair, or bangs, wrap your hair around the barrel away from your face. Balding uses Redken's Fashion Works 12 for texture and grip.
- Once the hair has cooled, use a boar bristle brush to gently brush out curls.
- Next, section off hair underneath the part. Working at an angle, French braid the section halfway down the hair. Tie the braid with a clear elastic, such as Snag-Free Hair Elastics from Sephora, and sweep it across your shoulder underneath the waves.

















- Wash your hair the night before so it's clean but lived-in a little.
- Before starting, apply a volumizing lotion to the roots for body. Balding uses Redken's Rootful 06.
- For a polished finish, add a drop or two of argan oil from mid-length to ends.

Here comes the guide... There are the stylish brides who together a list of signs that the affair will be one to remember:

wear the beautiful gowns and have their hair and makeup just so, and there are the stylish weddings, where everything from the bridal ensemble to the parting presents has the touch that makes it all seem special.

Vogue.com put together a wedding guide just in time for all those summer nuptials. The Associated Press asked editor Jessica Sailer Van Lith to put

It's personal

The wedding, from beginning to end, should seem like it belongs to the bride and groom, not like they've plugged into someone else's dream.

They've gone local

Couples can embrace the place they were so thoughtful in choosing by offering touches of local cuisine, decor or music.

The bride looks like herself She shouldn't look for a "perfect dress" because there are too many of those, says Sailer Van Lith. What a bride should want is the right dress, and from there it should be easy to pick everything that goes with it, she says.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fashion in a flash

There's a Rachel for that

Rachel Zoe is expanding her empire with a fashion app. The stylist/reality star/ designer has partnered with social gaming company Crowdstar to launch Covet Fashion, a game that allows users to style virtual mannequins with current-season designer duds. **metro**

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Late '70s punk style hits home

Never had the courage to be a punk-rocker in high school? Well here's your change to add a bit of alternative attitude to your life; this time it's not in the form of your clothing, but your home. Think British flags, acid wash, skulls, neon, black and white. Punk decor is one of the most glamourous decorating trends happening today, so get with the trend this time around!



A mixmatched flag motif adds a bit of British punk to your floors. Hey Jack carpet tiles \$18 each. FLOR.COM



Black, white and grunge all over: iust add neon coloured sheets for a nunk vibe. Graffiti 5-Piece Comforter Set. \$70. HOMESENSE



Pricey but very designer-punk-chic! Porter Teleo's hand-painted Floral Graffiti Wallpaper. \$52 per square foot. PRIMAVERA.COM



Shed some light punk-rock style, and paint the room all black while you're at it. Modern





Mid-century modern aets the rocker denim treatment. Chichester Accent Chair. \$1,600. DECORIUM.COM



A rebellious art school dropout now making it big, Suzanne MacRury's Black & Red Slash 36x60 mixed media painting, \$3,200. AGO.NET





Tired steak kebobs, make room on the barbecue for a new Syrian twist

- 1. With a vegetable peeler, peel the eggplants lengthwise in strips, leaving strips of skin between each peeled strip. Then cut the eggplants into rounds 1 1/2 to 2 inches (4–5 cm) thick.
- **2.** In a bowl, mix the meat, dakka and salt. Preheat the barbecue. Oil the grill well with vegetable oil. Make little meatballs about the same size as the eggplant rounds.
- **3.** Skewer the eggplant rounds and meatballs alternately onto the skewers, slightly flattening the meatballs between the eggplant slices as you do so. Grill for 8 to 10 minutes on each side, until the eggplant is ten-

- 12 long, narrow eggplants
- 1 1/2 lbs (750 g) ground lamb or lean ground beef
- 2 tsp (10 ml) ground dakka
- 2 tsp (10 ml) fine salt

Dakka is a mix of spices. In Flavours of Aleppo, dakka boasts allspice (40 per cent), ground black pepper (30 per cent), crushed cinnamon (10 per cent), whole cloves (10 per cent), whole green cardamom (5 per cent) and ground nutmeg (5 per cent).

der. Serve hot with pita and bell peppers or hot peppers.

4. For a softer flavour, precook the eggplant and meatball skewers on the barbeque. Remove the eggplant rounds and meatballs from the skewers and arrange them on a buttered baking dish. Dot with butter. Add 1/2 cup (125 ml) of water. Cover and bake in the oven at 350 F (175 C) for 30 to 45 minutes. RECIPE PRINTED WITH PERMISSION FROM FLAVOURS OF ALEPPO: CELEBRATING SYRIAN CUISINE BY DALAL KADÉ-BADRA AND ELIE BADRA (WHITE-



Cookbook of the Week

A unique cuisine



In Flavours of Aleppo: Celebrating Syrian Cuisine, Dalal Kadé-Badra and Elie Badra explore the cuisine of the country's second largest city.

Turkey, Greece, Armenia and the rest of the Levant have influenced Aleppian cuisine so the book includes versions of many classic Levantine dishes such as kabob, kibbeh (bulgar, onion and ground meat) and mezzes.

Also among the recipes are nearly 100 meat and vegetarian main and side dishes, barbecue bites, desserts, sweets and even

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Fucale prepares for the next step

NHL draft. Top-ranked goaltender trying to stay grounded as moment in the spotlight approaches



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Come NHL draft day, North America's top-ranked goalie doubts he'll be nervous.

Instead, Zach Fucale is almost certain that on Sunday in Newark N.J., he will feel only an overwhelming sense of joy surrounded by his extended

"Nate and Jo, we went through a lot together this year. They were great teammates, maybe soon exteammates." NHL prospect Zach Fucale on his Mooseheads teammates

family and closest friends.

"This whole thing, it's just been so much fun," said the 18-year-old, who backstopped the Halifax Mooseheads to their first President Cup and Memorial Cup titles.

"Our family is just so excited. For the past six years we've watched the draft. It's just hard to believe it's going to be just me up there. The thought of it just makes me think, 'Wow."

It's only now that he can finally take time to reflect. For the last month, since the Herd's championship celebration in Halifax, Fucale has been busy. He's showcased his considerable skills at NHL combines to teams like the Buffalo Sabres and his hometown Montreal Canadiens. Last Sunday he returned from a five-day under-20 Hockey Canada goalie development camp in Calgary.

"To be honest I don't know how I'm doing it," he said with a laugh.

As the consensus No. 1 goalie destined to be picked in the first round, Fucale's been the target of plenty of praise and admiration for his rare arsenal of athleticism, poise and technical acumen. TSN scout Craig Button has him pegged as the ninth pick — to the New Jersey Devils.

"Those are just little predictions. To me that's all they are. In the end it's flattering and it's fun, but anything can happen on draft day. I'm pretty sure I'm going to be happy at the end of the day.'

After that, the real work

injury that I'm not going to be 100 per cent maybe closer and closer," Sheppard said. "The more time the stronger I feel.... I still expect to play better and I



ue Ducharme will help coach the under-18 national team. METRO FILE

U-18. Ducharme to join national coaching staff

Hockey Canada named Dominique Ducharme to its under-18 national team coaching staff on

The Halifax Mooseheads bench boss will serve as assistant coach to Dale Hunter. The team will compete at the Ivan Hlinka tournament that runs from Aug. 5 to 10 in Breclay,

Czech Republic, and Piestany,

Hunter is currently the owner, president and head coach of the London Knights. Oshawa Generals bench boss D.J. Smith was named as the other assistant coach. Selection camp runs from July 25 to 29 in Toronto. metro

NHL

Sharks re-sign local player Sheppard

The San Jose Sharks knew it would take some time to see the benefits of the deal two years ago to acquire James Sheppard from Minnesota.

After spending most of his first year in San Jose rehabbing from a serious leg injury, Sheppard completed his two-year journey back to the NHL in January and showed flashes of why the Wild drafted him in the first round in 2006.

The Sharks re-signed the Lower Sackville forward to a one-year deal on Wednesday that prevents him from becoming a restricted free agent next month.

"When you see a guy go through adversity and a challenge like this, it does reveal his character," general manager Doug Wilson said. "But this is a kid who was a very highly drafted player and a very talented player. I think his best hockey is now ahead of him.... Now I think you'll see him flourish. We're not even going to put a limit on where he can get to."

The Sharks acquired Sheppard in August 2011 from the Wild for a 2013 third-round pick. Sheppard had been suspended the previous season by Minnesota after suffering a careerthreatening leg injury in an off-season ATV accident.

He made his debut with San Jose on Jan. 22 and had one goal and three assists in 32 regular-season games. He had no points in 11 playoff games but showed the Sharks enough for them to want him back next season.

"It was such an intricate ever, but I'm always getting passes the better I feel and have more goals for myself that I want to accomplish."

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Horoscopes

Υ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You may not be able to explain why something feels right but you know better than to ignore your instincts. Creatively and romantically, you are entering a positive phase. Own it.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

Don't worry too much about pleasing everyone today because chances are you won't succeed. Instead, decide what it is that needs to be done and just get on with it.

∐ Gemini May 22 - June 21

You would not be human if what you hear today does not bruise your ego, but you don't have to make a big deal of it. A week from now, it will have no meaning at all.

Gancer June 22 - July 23

Someone you do business with will offer you some sort of deal, one that could make you a lot of money. That's great but keep your wits about you because it may not be as wonderful as they would like you to believe.

Ω Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Venus, planet of emotional and material values, moves into your birth sign today and almost immediately your mood will improve. It will improve even more if you share your love of life with other people.

M Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Unexpected events could disrupt your plans over the next 24 hours but it's nothing to worry about. While Mercury, your ruler, is moving retrograde you would be wise to take nothing at face value.

△ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Venus, your ruler, moves into the friendship area of your chart today, encouraging you to be even more outgoing. A social event could lead to new experiences and maybe even a new relationship.

M Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Cosmic activity in one the best areas of your chart helps you believe all things are possible. People may say you are being overly optimistic but that's not how you see it — and how you see it creates your reality.

プ Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

There are many good things going on in your world, many opportunities waiting to be exploited. So why are you hesitating? There will never be the perfect time to take action, there will only ever be now.

り Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Someone will make you a tempting offer and although you may want to take it, you can't help thinking there is a catch. Don't worry - there isn't.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Partnerships of all kinds are under good stars today, so if there is someone you want to get close to, one-to-one, now is the time to make your move. You're not as dispassionate as some people say. Prove it.

H Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

No matter how much of an expert you are, there will always be someone who knows more than you. The planets suggest you will meet such a person today. Learn something new. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

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Yesterday's Crossword

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(b.1842 - d.1891)

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part of "O Canada": "Car ton bras sait porter l'__ / Il sait porter la croix!'

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- 13. Blinds strip 18. Domain
- 22. "Band-Aid ..quick!" 24. Lists at the end of movies

- See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers. 26. Approx. take-offs
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